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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/DE2003/003728 8 Nov. 2002 and 14 Nov. 10 November 2003 TITLE OF INVENTION Novel Buffer Formulations for Isolating Purifying and Recovering Long-Chain APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US and Short-Chain Nucleic Acids Timo Hillebrand and Peter Bendzko Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. X This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))

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3. 🗆	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).					
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